109TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. RES. 599

Designating the week of October 23, 2006, through October 27, 2006, as "National Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Week".

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

September 30 (legislative day, September 29), 2006

Mr. Reed (for himself, Ms. Collins, Mr. Lautenberg, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Sarbanes, Ms. Mikulski, Mr. Dodd, Mr. Biden, Mr. Nelson of Nebraska, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Wyden, Ms. Stabenow, Ms. Cantwell, Mr. Feingold, Mr. Inouye, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Carper, Mr. DeWine, Mr. Obama, Mr. Chafee, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Levin, Mrs. Clinton, Mrs. Lincoln, Mr. Schumer, Mr. Bond, Mr. Santorum, Mr. Pryor, Ms. Snowe, Ms. Landrieu, Mr. Hagel, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Specter, Mr. Bayh, Mr. Menendez, Mrs. Boxer, and Mrs. Feinstein) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

November 16, 2006 Committee discharged; considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Designating the week of October 23, 2006, through October 27, 2006, as "National Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Week".

Whereas lead poisoning is a leading environmental health hazard to children in the United States;

Whereas according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 310,000 preschool children in the United States have harmful levels of lead in their blood;

- Whereas lead poisoning may cause serious, long-term harm to children, including reduced intelligence and attention span, behavior problems, learning disabilities, and impaired growth;
- Whereas children from low-income families are significantly more likely to be poisoned by lead than are children from high-income families;
- Whereas children may be poisoned by lead in water, soil, or consumable products;
- Whereas children most often are poisoned in their homes through exposure to lead particles when lead-based paint deteriorates or is disturbed during home renovation and repainting; and

Whereas lead poisoning crosses all barriers of race, income, and geography: Now, therefore, be it

1 Resolved, That the Senate—

- 2 (1) designates the week of October 23, 2006,
- 3 through October 27, 2006, as "National Childhood
- 4 Lead Poisoning Prevention Week"; and
- 5 (2) calls upon the people of the United States
- 6 to observe the week with appropriate programs and
- 7 activities.

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